



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: :
TAKASHI YASHIKI : EXAMINER: MORILLO
SERIAL NO. 10/800,637 :
FILED: MARCH 16, 2004 : GROUP ART UNIT: 1742
FOR: PURE TITANIUM BUILDING
MATERIAL AND METHOD OF
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313

SIR:

I, Takashi Yashiki, hereby declare:

1. I am employed by Kabushiki Kaisha Kobe Seiko Sho as an engineering manager for the Research and Development section of the Titanium Technology Department in the Titanium Division. I received my master degree in Mechanical Engineering in 1990 from the Fukui University, Japan, and received my doctorate degree in Metallurgy in 2003 from the Tohoku University, Japan.

2. I have read the original Japanese patent publication number JP 09-003573 and the computer generated translation obtained by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in the above-identified U.S. application

3. In the computer-generated translation of Japanese patent publication number JP 09-003573, paragraph [0019] states, in part, "the remainder becomes [oxygen(O)] from Ti and an unescapable impurity by 900 ppm or less Formula (1)."

4. However, this is an incorrect translation of this portion of Japanese patent publication number JP 09-003573.

5. The correct translation is "oxygen(O) is 900 ppm or less, and the remainder is Ti and unescapable impurity."

6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of this application or any patent issuing thereon.

7. Further declarant saith not.

Takashi YASHIKI

Name

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Signature

June 17, 2005

Date